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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. CH920020031US1 (8728-655)

First Inventor Giovanni Cherubini

Title READING DATA IN PROBE-BASED...

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 22]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
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(when there is an assignee)
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

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| Total Claims | 10 | -20** = | 0 | X | 18 | = | 0 |
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| 1202 | 18 | 2202 | 9 | Claims in excess of 20 | |
| 1201 | 84 | 2201 | 42 | Independent claims in excess of 3 | |
| 1203 | 280 | 2203 | 140 | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid | |
| 1204 | 84 | 2204 | 42 | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent | |
| 1205 | 18 | 2205 | 9 | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent | |
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| 1052 | 50 | 2052 | 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | |
| 1053 | 130 | 1053 | 130 | Non-English specification | |
| 1812 | 2,520 | 1812 | 2,520 | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination | |
| 1804 | 920* | 1804 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | |
| 1805 | 1,840* | 1805 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| 1251 | 110 | 2251 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| 1252 | 410 | 2252 | 205 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 1253 | 930 | 2253 | 465 | Extension for reply within third month | |
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| 1255 | 1,970 | 2255 | 985 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 1401 | 320 | 2401 | 160 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 1402 | 320 | 2402 | 160 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 1403 | 280 | 2403 | 140 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 1451 | 1,510 | 1451 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| 1452 | 110 | 2452 | 55 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | |
| 1453 | 1,300 | 2453 | 650 | Petition to revive - unintentional | |
| 1501 | 1,300 | 2501 | 650 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| 1502 | 470 | 2502 | 235 | Design issue fee | |
| 1503 | 630 | 2503 | 315 | Plant issue fee | |
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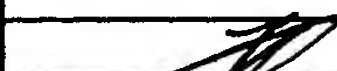
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Inventors: Giovanni Cherubini

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- [] An assignment of the invention to: International Business Machines Corporation, Armonk, New York, with Recordation Form.
- [] Declaration and Power of Attorney.
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